GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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CREATION OF NO DEVELOPMENT ZONE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to create no development zone to balance the development and environment;

(b) if so, the details thereof; State-wise including Konkan region of the country; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a): For the purpose of conservation and protection of the coastal environment, the Ministry has issued the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 for the main land and the Island Protection Zone (IPZ) Notification, 2011 for the oceanic Islands of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Laccadives. Under these notifications the area between 200 mts to 500 mts in Coastal Regulation Zone - III has been declared as No Development Zone (NDZ), where only certain activities are permissible after obtaining necessary approvals from concerned authorities.

(b) and (c): In the CRZ Notification, 2011 along Konkan region, Malwan and Achara have been identified as Critical Vulnerable Coastal Areas (CVCAs) and time specified to finalize the integrated management plans in two years.